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A Petition and the appropriate fee for a 3 month extension of time up to and including January 20, 2002 are filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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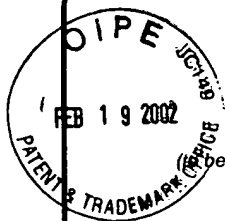
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